THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS (MAJOR GENERAL (RETD.) B.C. KHANDURI): (a) No such specific data are collected by this Ministry.

(b) Under Section 185 of the Motor Vehicles Act, 1988, driving or attempting to drive with alcohol concentrationof 30 mg per 100 ml of blood is an offence. As per the information available in this Ministry, the limit prescribed in India under the Motor Vehicles Act, 1988 is stricter than that in Canada, U.K. and many other European countries.

(c) Does not arise.

(d) Amendment of Motor Vehicles Act is a continuous process. The Act is amended whenever such a requirement is felt.

Electronic registration system for vehicles

3068. MAULANA OBAIDULLAH KHAN AZMI: Will the Minister of ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Central Motor Vehicles Rules have been amended on the 31st May, 2002 for implementation of the recommendations of an Apex Committee to introduce electronic registration system on single microprocessor chip smart card;

(b) whether it is a fact that the approved technology by the Apex Committee was a single microprocessor chip for retgistration certificates, driving licences and permit purposes;

(c) if so, what are the details thereof;

(d) whether the State Governments have the authority to override the Central Government's recommendation and the Central Motor Vehicles Rules to introduce Vehicle Registration Certificates of their choice; and

(e) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS (MAJOR GENERAL (RETD.) B.C. KHANDURI): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) and (c) The notification issued on 31.5.2002 defines Smart Card as a device capable of storing data and executing commands, which is a single chip microprocessor, mounted on a plastic card and

the dimensions of the card and chip are as specified on ISO-7816 specifications, as may be amended from time to time.

(d) No, Sir.

(e) Does not arise.

Amendment in the central motor vehicles rules

3069. SHRI RAVULA CHANDRA SEKAR REDDY: Will the Minister of ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Delhi Police is procecuting Euro 2/ Bharat 2/ CNG vehicles for not carrying PUC Certificate under the Central Motor Vehicles Rules.

(b) if so, whether it is a fact that the relevant rules were passed in 1980 when Euro 2 vehicles were not there;

(c) if so, the reasons for not amending these rules, so far; and

(d) by when Government propose to amend these rules in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS MAJOR GENERAL (RETD.) (B.C. KHANDURI): (a) and (b) Under Central Motor Vehicles Rules, 1989, the 'Pollution Under Control' Certificates are issued by the agencies authorized by respective State Governments. This provision was introduced in March, 1993 and is mandatory for all categories of vehicles. A valid Pollution Under Control Certificate indicates that the emission from vehicles meet the norms as applicable to a particular category of vehicle. Enforcement of these rules is the responsibility of Governments of respective States/UTs.

(c) There is no requirement to amend these rules.

(d) Does not arise.

Four-laning of Delhi-Meerut-Haridwar-Gangotri Highway

†3070. SHRI HARISH RAWAT: Will the Minister of ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is a proposal to develop Delhi-Meerut-Haridwar-Gangotri Highway into four lane road;

†Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.